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WARREN COMMISSION

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WASHINGTON, SEPT. 14 (AP)-CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN SAYS IT IS

"A MATTER OF DAYS" BEFORE HIS INVESTIGATING COMMISSION COMPLETES AND

SUBMITS TO PRESIDENT JOHNSON ITS 700-PAGE REPORT ON THE ASSASSINATION

OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

OTHER SOURCES ESTIMATED THE WHITE HOUSE MAY ISSUE THE FINDINGS OVER THE WEEKEND OF SEPT. 27. OTHER ESTIMATES WERE THAT FINAL EDITING, PRINTING AND BINDING COULD TAKE A LITTLE LONGER.

WARREN TOLD NEWSMEN SATURDAY THAT THE SEVEN-MEMBER COMMISSION HAS BEEN WORKING NIGHT AND DAY TO FINISH THE REPORT.

"I HOPE IT WILL BE VERY SOO, " WARREN SAID. "WE'RE JUST DRIVING TO GET IT ALL DONE. . . OUR JOB IS COMPLETED WHEN WE REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT."

THE CHIEF JUSTICE EMPHASIZED THAT PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION OF THE REPORT IS UP TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

MUCH OF THE DELAY IN COMPLETING THE REPORT -- THE ORIGINAL

TARGET DATE WAS JUNE 30--STEMS FROM PAINSTAKING EFFORTS BY COMMISSION

MEMBERS TO MAKE SURE EACH REPORT ON KENNEDY'S DEATH LAST NOV. 22 IN

DALLAS IS FULLY DOCUMENTED.

COMMISSION SOURCES SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE REPORT WILL CONTAIN "SOME SURPRISES, " IN MAIN IT WILL SAY:

--LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AN UNSTABLE MARXIST ACTING WITHOUT HELPERS OR CO-CONSPIRATORS, SHOT KENNEDY TO DEATH.

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--JACK RUBY, CONVICTED MURDERER OF OSWALD, ACTED IN OUTRAGED GRIEF AS WHAT HE CONCEIVED TO BE AN AGENT OF RETRIBUTION WHEN HE KILLED OSWALD IN THE DALLAS POLICE STATION TWO DAYS AFTER KENNEDY'S DEATH.

WARREN SAID THE COMMISSION'S PRIMARY TASK NOW IS EDITING PROOFS FROM THE GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, INCLUDING THE CHECKING OF "THOUSANDS OF FOOTNOTES, REFERENCES TO THE APPENDICES."

BUT ANOTHER COMMISSION MEMBER REPORTED: "WE'RE STILL WRITING."

THE REPORT WILL INCLUDE, EARLY IN THE TEXT, A SUMMARY OF THE

COMMISSION'S FINDINGS, PERHAPS 20 TO 25 PAGES LONG; THEN HUNDREDS OF

PAGES OF NARRATIVE AND ANALYTICAL TEXT, WITH SOME ILLUSTRATIONS; AND, FINALLY, SOME CONDENSED APPENDICES.

IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE 20 OR MORE VOLUMES CONTAINING THE TRANSCRIPTS OF TESTIMONY OF HUNDREDS OF WITNESSES QUESTIONED IN CLOSED HEARINGS, AS WELL AS DEPOSITIONS, INVESTIATIONS REPORTS AND EXHIBITS.

BESIDES WARREN, THE COMMISSION CONSISTS OF REPS. HALE BOGGS, D-LA., AND GERALD R. FORD, R-MICH.; SENS. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., AND JOHN SHERMAN COOPER, R-KY.; JOHN J. MCCLOY AND ALLEN W. DULLES.

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